REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 6-10, 12, 17-19 and 21-28 are pending in this application, with claims 9, 17-19, 21 and 23-26 currently withdrawn from consideration.

In the Advisory Action dated November 17, 2003, the Examiner indicated that the Amendment dated October 23, 2003, entered in the present Request for Continued Examination, raised new issues that would require further consideration and/or search, and raised the issue of new matter.

With regard to the issue of new matter, the Examiner stated that the newly added "chain reaction" is not supported by the specification, citing the term "chain curing" on page 50, lines 14 and 16. The Examiner stated that "it cannot be ascertained whether the claimed "chain reaction" is the same as the disclosed "chain curing."

Applicants respectfully submit that there is no new matter added by the amendment to claim 1 to recite "to cure by chain reaction" Applicants note that the present specification on page 47, line 22, and on page 49, line 4, recites "a chain curing reaction" and that it is clear that the disclosure of "chain curing" on page 50, lines 13 and 16, refers back to this. Easy curing with the photopolymerization initiator component of the present invention may be readily understood by the disclosure on page 47, line 17, to page 50, line 8. A chain curing reaction is a chain reaction used for curing. That is, the "chain reaction" in the amendment to claim 1 is the same as the "chain curing

reaction" in the disclosure and the amendment does not represent new matter.

Applicants therefore request entry and consideration of the Amendment of October 23, 2003, with this understanding of the terminology of the amendment.

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If, for any reason, it is felt that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants undersigned agent at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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